

UNITED STEVEDORING COMPANY

No. 1 Drumm Street
San Francisco
Zone 11

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Colonel S. N. Karrick, District Engineer
San Francisco District
Corps of Engineers
74 New Montgomery Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

We are in receipt of a Notice of Hearing to be held in the City of Richmond on July 28, 1948 concerning certain modifications of the present harbor project in the Port of Richmond. May we urge your favorable consideration of the requested improvements and modifications of the existing project.

The United Stevedoring Company proposes to develop a bulk cargo and heavy lift facility for handling materials such as coal, coke, salt, phosphate rock, nitrates, sulphur, copra, oil-bearing nuts, grains, cereals, ores, metals and other items. In addition, the facility will provide services for the lifting of heavy pieces of equipment and material which are now moved to ship by floating derrick barge. This heavy lift facility will enable shippers to move their cargoes from shore to ship without intermediate transfer to barge.

The payroll for this contemplated operation will exceed \$150,000. annually.

The United Stevedoring Company proposes to utilize equipment that will have an investment in excess of \$300,000. As a minimum tonnage, the United Stevedoring Company expects to handle 130,000 tons of bulk cargo. In addition, it expects to handle 50,000 tons annually of heavy lift material. If adequate dredging is carried out, it is contemplated that this operation can be carried forward and will bring new payrolls, new jobs, new taxes and all the auxiliary benefits therefrom to the Richmond area.

The United Stevedoring Company is primarily engaged in the stevedoring of heavy moving commodities. It has been the experience of this company that bulk commodities generally move in full shipload lots, thus utilizing the maximum draft of the vessels in question. The increased size of water carriers demands further improvement of the present inadequate channel in order that they may safely navigate when fully laden.

Very truly yours,

UNITED STEVEDORING COMPANY

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By JOHN P. COX
Vice President & Managing Director